

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes _____
no ☒

Property Name: Bowen House Inventory Number: WO-273
Address: 8348 Newark Road Historic district: yes ☒ no
City: Newark Zip Code: 21841 County: Worcester
USGS Quadrangle(s): ~~Ninepin Branch~~ Public Landing
Property Owner: Brian Russell and Christina Elizabeth Waggoner Tax Account ID Number: 001567
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 161 Tax Map Number: 40
Project: Historic Structures Survey along US-113 Agency: Maryland SHA
Agency Prepared By: Hardlines Design Company
Preparer's Name: Roy Hampton Date Prepared: 6/20/2007
Documentation is presented in: Compliance Report and Historic Context for Proposed Highway Improvements-U.S. 113: Five Mile Branch Road to Massey Branch
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: _____ Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended
Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G
Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:
Name of the District/Property: _____
Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: yes Listed: yes
Site visit by MHT Staff yes ☒ no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

The Bowen House was originally surveyed in 1992 by Paul Touart in his "Along the Seaboard Side: The Architectural History of Worcester County, Maryland," but no NRHP eligibility evaluation was made for the house at that time.

NRHP Evaluation: Not Eligible

Criterion A: The Maryland Department of Taxation and Assessment's real estate database for the house gives a construction date of 1780, which seems plausible given the proportions of the house, its saltbox-like roofline, and small squat-proportioned window openings. Thirteen other houses from the 1780-1800 era were listed in the 1992 Worcester County preservation plan, eight of the houses in rural settings and five located in towns, with two houses listed in the NRHP. Based on this, it is unlikely that this is the only remaining house in the county dating to the ca. 1780-1800, and there are likely at least a few examples of housing in this area from this period. The building is recommended not eligible under Criterion A.

Criterion B: The house is associated with the Bowen Family, who were prominent in the history of Newark, but the association does not warrant NRHP listing. The building is recommended not eligible under Criterion B.

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Eligibility recommended _____ Eligibility not recommended ☒
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MHT Comments:

Jim Faulkner ✓
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

R. Kintz
Reviewer, National Register Program

6/6/08
Date

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Date

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Criterion C: The building is an example of early Worcester County vernacular domestic architecture. The front and rear of the building have been clad in wide-lap aluminum siding, and the front door and possibly the sidelights of the main entrance are new. Trim is aluminum, and the side walls of the house were re-clad, probably some time in the 1970s, with common bond red brick. A dormer at the rear of the house has wood windows that appear to be 1920s-1940s Colonial Revival wood products. The current front windows are appropriate for the house in terms of their light pattern, but they appear to be twentieth century Colonial Revival replacements. Due to alterations lacks integrity of design, materials, workmanship and feeling and is recommended not eligible under Criterion C.

Criterion D: The building appears to have no potential to reveal any significant historical information, and is recommended as not eligible under Criterion D.

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Eligibility not recommended _____

Criteria: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D Considerations: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G

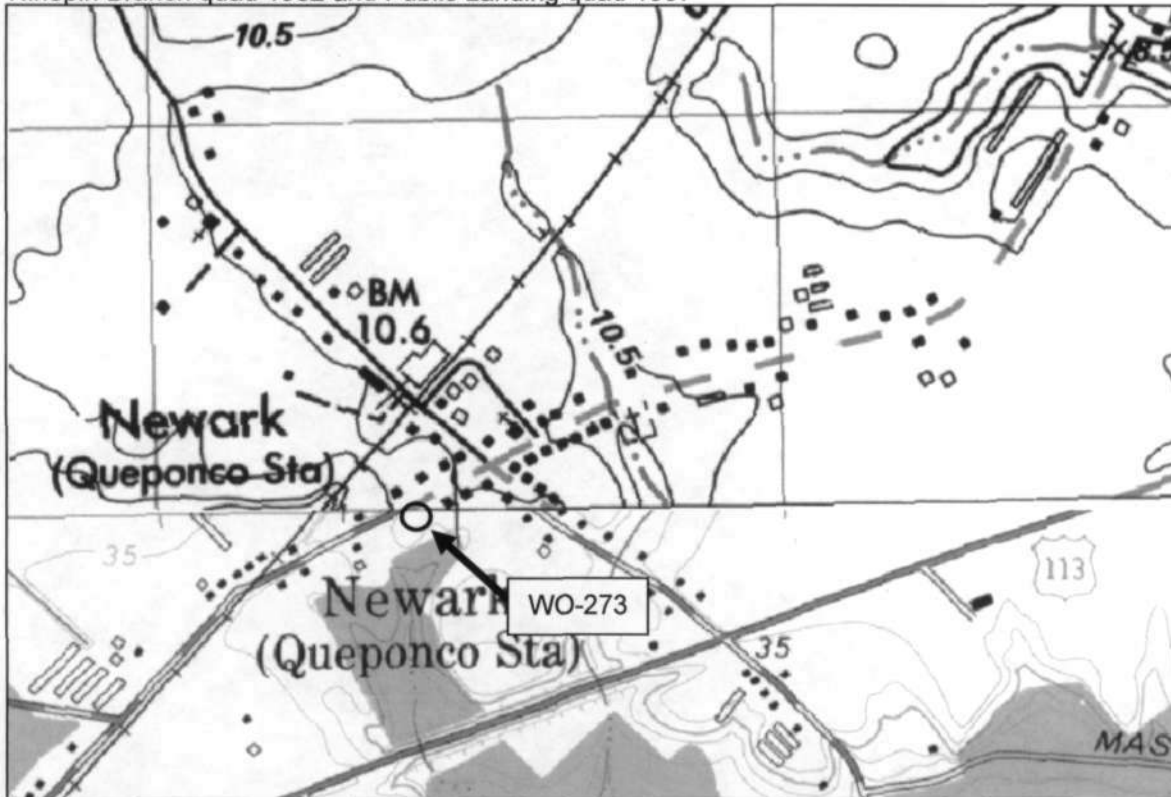
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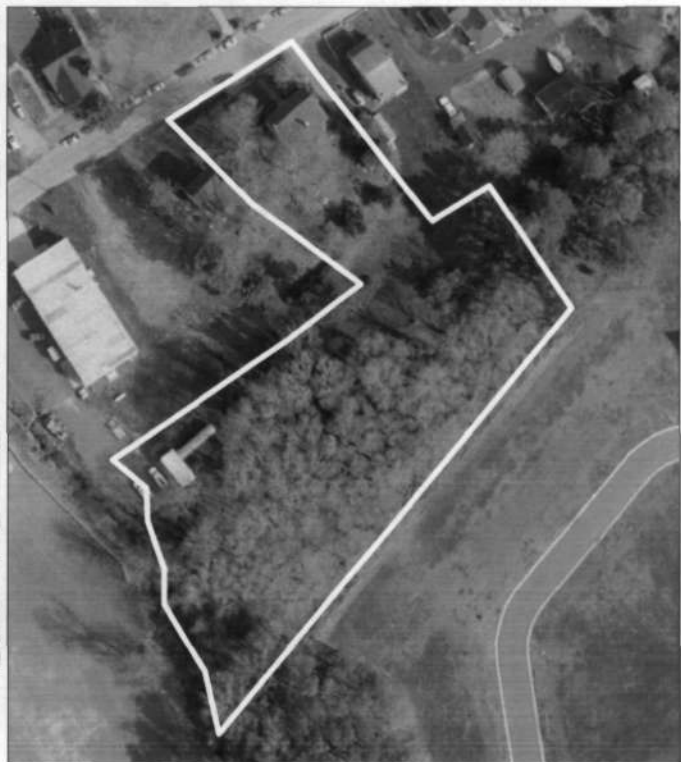
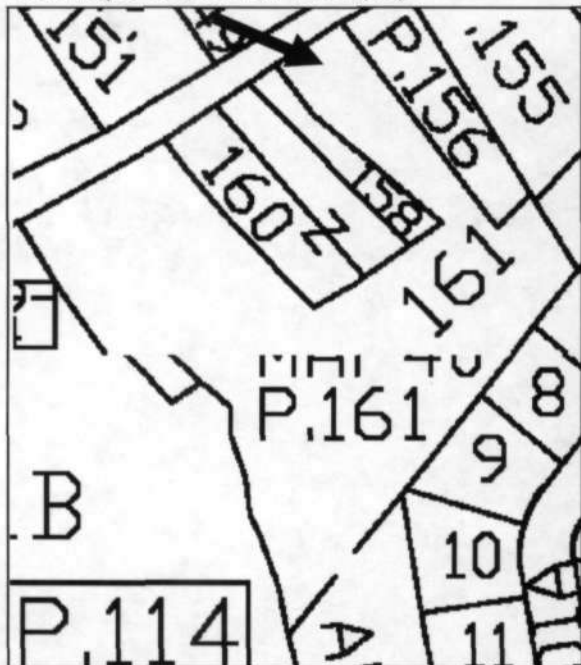
WO-273, Bowen House, Newark, Worcester County, Public Landing Quad

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Bowen House
8348 Newark Road, Newark
Ninepin Branch quad 1982 and Public Landing quad 1967



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National Web Map Service 6" Orthophoto Map, c. 2010





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Bowen House

Worcester County, Maryland

Heather Kenney

May 24, 2007

MO SHPO

North side of house looking south

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Inventory No. WD-273

Bowen House

Worcester County, Maryland

Heather Kenney

May 29, 2007

MD SHPO

Northeast corner of house looking southwest.

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